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REMARKS

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1. On 27 April 1953, the quarters of the AAA unit on Goethe Strasse in Tangermuende housed only a guard detail, as the unit had left for the summer camp. Major Kharchenko (fnu) was identified as supply officer of the unit. On 27 April, the engineer unit from the quarters on Stalingrad Strasse, Tangermuende, also departed for the summer camp. The unit was equipped with three-sectional medal pontoons and several trucks with hoisting gears. The unit was at Camp Bittkau in the summer of 1952. Major Zitnikov (fnu) was identified as supply officer of the unit. <sup>1</sup>
2. On 2 May, source determined that the engineer unit with supply officer Kryz (fnu), which had formerly been stationed in the Remonteschule in Gardelegen, was transferred to Stendal in April. Lieutenant Colonel Popkov (fnu), commanding officer of the battalion equipped with motorcycles and armored scout cars was succeeded by Lieutenant Colonel Bertovski (fnu). Major Stupnikov (fnu)

(fnu), the political officer of the komendatura at Gardelegen was transferred to Riga at the end of April. He was succeeded by Major Kochegarow. Lieutenant Colonel Kolesnikov (fnu), previously deputy commandant of Gardelegen, was reassigned as commandant to Calbe on the Milde River. <sup>2</sup>

3. Between 20 and 27 April, Waldlager Planken in Letzling Heath was occupied by a tank unit from Rosslau. Colonel Boboshkin (fnu) was identified as supply officer of the unit. Waldlager Born was occupied by a unit from the Margaretenhof Kaserne in Magdeburg during the last week of April. Lieutenant Colonel Izaychev (fnu) was identified as supply officer of the unit. Between 20 and 27 April, Waldlager Jaevenitz was occupied by units from Stendal. Colonel Korolev (fnu) was identified as supply officer of the unit. <sup>3</sup>

1.   Comment. The troop quarters and locations in Tangermuende are not known here and cannot be checked, as no pertinent material is available. So far, only a troop quarters northwest of the railroad station became known; it was carried as quartering the 953d AAA Bn (US) of the 207th Mtz Rifle Div and housing engineer equipment of the 338th Engr Bn of the division. The engineer battalion proper is carried in the Tauntzien Kaserne, Stendal, from where it left in mid-April, presumably for Bittkau. See

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2. Comment. The Remonte Schule is believed to be occupied by the 890th Indep Engr Bn of the LXXIX Mtz Rifle Corps. This office believes that the battalion has not been transferred to Stendal in April but to the Bittkau training area where it would stay for summer training.

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political officer at the komendatura in Gardelegen.

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3. Comment. It is known from previous reports that units of the 7th Gds Tank Div are stationed in Waldlager Planken and units of the 19th Gds Mecz Div in Waldlager Born. The Waldlager south-east of Jaevenitz has been occupied by units of the 207th Mtz Rifle Div since late April 1953. Colonel Korolev (fnu) to have been supply officer in the aforementioned camp.

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